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AMERICAN CONSUL KILLED AT BATOUM

Englishman by Birth, Engaged
in Business There.

Address in Reply to Speech From the
Throne Must Be Submitted to
Ministers.

DOUMA PRESIDENT AGITATED.

Batoum, Russia, May 21.—W. H. Stuart, American vice consul here, was assassinated last night.

Should it develop that the Russian government is in any way responsible for the assassination of Vice Consul Stuart by failing to provide proper protection, representations will be made by the state department through Ambassador Meyer to the Russian government.

Washington, May 21.—Vice Consul Stuart at Batoum who is reported as assassinated, was an Englishman by birth. He never was naturalized and was appointed to the position in 1904. His post was a minor one in the American consular service. There was no salary attached, the incumbent being paid fees. Stuart was engaged in business at the time of his appointment. He was permitted to continue at it along with his consular duties.

Parliament Upset.
St. Petersburg, May 21.—A bomb was thrown into the parliamentary camp by a note received by President Mouroumoff, of the lower house from Pétroff, which instead of making an appointment for an audience at which he and the delegation could present an address in reply to the speech from the throne, contained the information that Emperor Nicholas would not receive the delegation and that the address must be presented through the ministry of the court.

President Mouroumoff, instead of sending the address to Baron Fredericks, minister of the imperial house, immediately issued a call for a meeting of parliament at 11 o'clock today at which he will report the occurrence and ask for further instructions. A most heated meeting is in prospect.

After Ice Men.
Cleveland, May 21.—Indictments for violation of the anti-trust law were voted against thirteen officials of the ice companies in this city today. They are charged with having formed a combination for control of sales and with demanding exorbitant prices. Arrests will be made tomorrow.

GOOD EXAMPLE

SET CITIZENS BY IMPROVEMENT
OF COURT HOUSE LAWN.

Judge Lightfoot Says He Expects to
See Paducah a Beautiful City
Soon.

Civic pride is fast manifesting itself in Paducah and it was fostered greatly by the example of County Judge Lightfoot and his board of magistrates in beautifying the court house yard.

Since Judge Lightfoot removed the fence, planted flowers and trimmed the trees, besides making many other improvements at the court house, residents all over the city, who have watched developments, have begun to take pride in their lawns and are beautifying them. The move is not confined to any one particular section, but to the town at large.

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Judge Lightfoot is making all improvements possible at the court house and will make the lawn one of the most beautiful in the state. He receives many compliments for the improvement made and appreciates that his efforts are bearing fruit.

The circulation of The Sun for the month of April was 4,018, a day average. Business instinct tells you that it is the paper that tells its circulation daily that merits your confidence.

NON-UNION

Miners Imported By Carloads and
Ohio Operators Are Ready to
Resume.

Steubenville, O., May 21.—With the importation of carloads of miners from the non-union fields of Pennsylvania and West Virginia, the United States Coal company is now ready to make an attempt to start the mines at Plum Run and other points. This is part of the joint plan of the Ohio bituminous operators to resume operations in their mines without agreeing with the union miners' demands. The imported men are surrounded by armed guards.

INSPECTOR

HERE FOR KENTUCKY STATE
BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

Wiring in Paducah Is Good and Mr.
Gilsdorf Makes Some Comments
—Knows Mr. McPherson.

William Gilsdorf, electrical inspector for the State Board of Underwriters, is in Paducah and today started his inspection work.

Mr. Gilsdorf formerly was electrical inspector for the city and is intimately acquainted with the condition here. During the past two months, however, the work has suffered as no inspector had been regularly employed. The matter will not have any effect on the rating, it is stated.

Mr. Gilsdorf came here from Kuttawa and stated last night that he noticed the Paducah Traction Co. had done a great deal of excellent work in overhead repairs. Mr. Gilsdorf was especially interested in the overhead trolley wire and electric feed wires and is pleased to see the company making the improvements.

"Wiring in Paducah is good, that is the greatest part of it, because I did part of it myself or rather saw that it was done right," Mr. Gilsdorf stated. "and I am glad to see an inclination among the property holders to make what repairs are ordered. The wire situation in Paducah has been serious and it was a hard pull to keep the work going right. I think now that merchants and property owners have become educated to the matter and will offer no hindrance to the inspector."

Inspector McPherson is said to be a first class man. Mr. Gilsdorf having been acquainted with him before he came to Paducah. Mr. McPherson is just off the Carnegie Library "job" in Pittsburg, one of the biggest and most difficult jobs in the country, and is a thoroughly competent man.

MASONIC BURGLAR.

Sentenced to Forty Years Imprisonment in Sing Sing.

New York, May 21.—Thomas Metelske, known as the "Masonic burglar," was sentenced to forty years in Sing Sing by Judge Crane, of Brooklyn, this morning. The prisoner fainted when sentence was pronounced. His wife became hysterical and created a scene. His lodging house was filled with valuables showing he had been engaged in thievery several months.

TO BIGMANY.

H. J. Reynolds Pleads Guilty to the
Charge at Norwalk.

Norwalk, O., May 21.—H. J. Reynolds, of Cleveland, pleaded guilty to bigamy in court today and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment. Reynolds married a young woman here while he had a wife living in Cleveland. He claimed he married another young woman, who since has died, while his first wife was living.

SAWED THROUGH STEEL BARS

Eleven Prisoners Escape at Fort
Oglethorpe.

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 21.—By sawing through the steel bars that covered the windows, eleven general prisoners escaped from the guardhouse at Fort Oglethorpe last night. They each had prison terms of from two to five years ahead of them. They had been brought here from Southern posts preparatory to being sent to Fort Leavenworth for permanent confinement.

Reform At Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Penn., May 21.—Four members of one of the principal real estate firms in this city were arrested today for renting homes for improper purposes. Six proprietresses of houses were also placed in custody tonight.

TRAGIC MYSTERY OF THREE DEATHS

Was it Murder, Suicide Pact,
or Duel With No Quarter.

Mark and Wes Wilson and Their
Cousin Arthur West, All Shot
in Store.

LYNNVILLE'S LATEST CRIME.

One of the most mysterious crimes ever committed in Graves county was brought to light Sunday evening about 5:30 o'clock when the dead bodies of Wes Wilson and Arthur West were found lying in pools of blood in Mark Wilson's store, in Lynnville, with the proprietor himself, unconscious and dying, within four feet of them. Mark Wilson expired without uttering a word, and not the slightest clue to the motive or manner of the triple homicide was to be gathered from the circumstances except that the revolvers of Wes Wilson and Arthur West, clutched tightly in their rigid fingers, told that these two had done the firing.

Ten shots were fired in all. These were distinctly heard by two men named Page and Poiner who found the bodies, and the accuracy of their hearing was borne out by the discovery of five empty shells in each revolver.

The testimony of Page and Poiner serve to further intensify the mystery of the tragedy. These two men with the Wilsons, who are brothers, and West, their cousin, went to Mark Wilson's store Sunday afternoon. There is no liquor sold in Lynnville, and the witnesses stated that all three men were sober. Mark and Wes Wilson and Arthur West were in the best of humor when Page and Poiner left the store about 5:30 o'clock Sunday evening, according to the testimony of the latter. They had proceeded but a short distance when ten revolver shots in quick succession, emanating from the store, caused them to halt and turn back. They knew where the reports came from. When they entered the building by breaking in the front door they found the three men stretched on the floor, no two over three feet apart. The floor was drenched with blood. Wes Wilson and Arthur West were quite dead. The former had a bullet wound over the right eye and the latter a hole through his heart. Their deaths were instantaneous.

Mark Wilson was still breathing. The left side of his nose was shot away by a bullet that plowed its way straight into his head. Another leaden missile had passed just above his heart. Page and Poiner examined the men and, finding Mark Wilson alive, carried him out to the porch, where he died almost immediately.

The men were not gambling, drinking or quarreling. They could scarcely have started a quarrel in the short time elapsing between the departure of Page and Poiner and the shooting. The general belief is that the affair was in the nature of a duel and that Wes Wilson and Arthur West repaired to the store for the purpose of finishing each other.

It was within a short distance of the store that Walter McClain shot and killed his brother and John Carter a year ago. McClain was given eight years for the crime.

All three of the participants in this latest tragedy were married and leave families. Mark Wilson was about 30 years old; Wes was about 40 years old and Arthur West was between 30 and 40 years old.

The corner of Graves county is working on the case.

FIRE'S WORK

FOUR HUNDRED SQUARE MILES
BURNED IN UPPER PENINSULA.

Rains Aid in Checking the Flames in
Northern Wisconsin—Militia
May Be Needed.

Escanaba, Mich., May 21.—At least 400 square miles of territory was devastated by the forest fire in the northern peninsula. Two thousand people are homeless and destitute. The towns of Woodlawn, Kingsley and Perkins were wiped out Sunday by fire. Hundreds of destitute in the section are leaving to visit relatives.

Rains Aiding.

Appleton, Wis., May 21.—Rains this morning are aiding in the work of checking the forest fires. It is rumored here that the militia may be called into service in the northern towns wiped out by fire.

A lunatic's train of thought is usually on the side track.

STEPS OFF TRAIN

And Then Commences Evolutions Not
Down on Program.

Passengers aboard the Paducah-Cairo accommodation train Sunday morning were given an exhibition at Heath, Ky., a few miles west of Paducah on the Cairo extension of the Illinois Central. A negro woman carrying a basket stepped out of the colored coach at Heath just as the train stopped. She did not seem to be in any great hurry to leave the cars and waited until the train started.

While running at a rate of speed not exceeding ten miles an hour, the woman stepped off but overlooking the precaution of leaving the steps correctly. Instead of alighting firmly she hit her heels and started doing a circus stunt. She began to roll and after doing a couple of dozen turns down the hill, fell in a heap at the base of the hill.

The train was stopped, the crowd alighted and went to the old mammy's assistance, but she arose, brushed her face with her dress and waddled away. She refused to give her name to the conductor. She stated she was not injured and from indications escaped without any serious bruises.

SURPLICE

NO GARB FOR CHOIR GIRLS, SAYS
BISHOP COADJUTOR.

Calls It an Abomination and Then
Turns Attention to Processional
Music.

Springfield, Ill., May 21.—Some of the recent utterances of the Episcopal bishop coadjutor of Springfield have stirred up a great deal of feeling in the course of his first address the bishop expressed himself very pointedly in regard to choirs and music.

"Here," said he, "I must confess that I am greatly troubled. I had not expected to find so many places, none in all, where women and girls appear in church in the dress of men and boys. To me it is a very unpleasant sight, even though it may be picturesque, pretty. The thing is wrong in itself. 'Permit me to read one verse of holy scripture: 'The women shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment, for all that do so are abominable to the Lord.' (Deut. xxi, 5). It is difficult to understand how with such words before us the custom of which we speak could be introduced."

"An abomination to the Lord in His own house! It has no sanction in the church; it is contrary to all ecclesiastical propriety, it is an invention of unthinking Protestantism, and in the Catholic church such practices should cease at once."

"Another thing we might well spare is the custom of universal and often tiresome processional and recessional hymns. A procession as an act of worship has its place in the service of the sanctuary where there is a proper choir to carry it out."

INAUGURATION

Of President Palma in Havana Sun-
day At Noon.

Havana, May 21.—President Palma was inaugurated at noon Sunday in the presence of the diplomatic corps in full uniform, cabinet officers, senators, congressmen, judges, heads of departments and representatives of economic agricultural and commercial associations. None of the liberal members of congress attended.

The inauguration ceremony took place in the Red Salon of the capital. The oath was administered by the chief justice of the supreme court in front of a dias on which were seated the eight supreme court judges.

It was the fourth anniversary of the independence of Cuba.

PRINCESS ENA'S FAREWELL.

King Edward Will Give a Family
Dinner in Her Honor.

London, May 21.—The arrangements have been concluded for Princess Ena of Battenberg's farewell to her native land. She will start for Spain on Thursday. King Edward will give a family dinner at Buckingham Palace Wednesday evening, and as Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria will return to London tomorrow from a cruise, the family gathering will be complete.

Grand Commandery.
The annual convocation of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar will take place at Paris, Ky., Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Delegations from all parts of the state will be present, but only a few will go from Paducah. Officers will be elected during the meeting an elaborate social entertainment has been arranged.

Funeral of Roy Sisk.

The funeral of Roy Sisk, 11 years old, who died Saturday in the Home of the Friendless, of pneumonia, was held Sunday afternoon, the burial being in Oak Grove.

BURGLARS ENTER AND LOOT STORE

Work Combination of Segenfel-
ter's Safe for \$96.

Yeggs Rob Postoffice at Ballance,
Graves County, During Sunday
Night.

LAVEAU HOTEL IS VICTIMIZED

The drug store of Mr. James P. Segenfelder, at Ninth and Tennessee streets, was entered by burglars Saturday night or Sunday morning and \$96 in cash was taken. Entrance was effected through the rear door, the thieves entering by means of the transom. The money was in the safe securely locked, but the burglars worked the combination some way and opened the safe without damaging it.

Mr. Segenfelder has missed nothing but the money. No clue was left, but it seemed to be the work of people acquainted with the premises.

Laveau Hotel Entered.
The Laveau hotel at Jefferson and Third streets was burglarized Saturday night. Burglars entered the private room of the proprietor and secured a watch fob, some rings and other trinkets amounting to over \$45. No clue was left.

Yeggs at Work Again.
Captain Frank Harlan, of the police force, this afternoon received a telephone message from Ballance, Graves county, fifteen miles south of Paducah, saying that the postoffice there was robbed last night.

The postoffice is in charge of Postmaster J. H. Carter, and no details of the robbery were secured. It is understood nothing more than a few dollars in cash and stamps were taken.

RIVER FIGHT REPLACES HAZING

Michigan Students Have Tug of War
in Water As Reformed Sport.

Ann Arbor, Mich., May 21.—Hair cutting, kidnapping and other forms of hazing were relegated to the past at the University of Michigan, today, and a tug of war through the Huron River was substituted. This is one of the species of reformed sports introduced by the senior council. The freshmen lined upon one side of the river and the sophomores on the other. A rope spanned the river, which is three feet deep and 60 feet wide at that point. The signal was given and the students started in. The freshmen were stronger and pulled the sophomores splashing and struggling, through the river until the first man reached the opposite bank, and the fight was won. More than 5,000 persons watched the contest.

STEAMERS COLLIDE.

British Boat Sinks at Hamburg But
Crew Is Saved.

Hamburg, May 21.—The German steamer Dendarah collided with the British steamer City of Dresden here today, sinking the latter vessel. The crew of the sunken steamer was saved. The damage to the Dendarah is unknown.

Mrs. Davis Out of Danger.

New York, May 21.—At Hotel Girard it is said today that Mrs. Jefferson Davis is much improved and regarded as practically out of danger.

SPECIAL MEETING

JOINT SESSION OF GENERAL
COUNCIL CALLED BY MAY-
OR STARKS.

Four Offices to Be Filled and New
Regulations to Be Put in Force
At Once.

Acting Mayor Starks will call a special joint meeting of the two boards of the general council tonight for the purpose of electing a meat and milk inspector, a city weigher and two members of the board of directors of Riverside hospital. During the meeting also arrangements will be made for hearing complaints against saloons before licenses are issued in June. It is also stated that an ordinance will be introduced, fixing the closing hour for saloons at 11:30 o'clock.

Local Markets.

Dressed Chickens—35c to 65c.
Eggs—15c a dozen.
Butter—20c lb.
Irish Potatoes—Per bu. 80c.
Sweet Potatoes—Per bu. 60c.
Country Hams—15c lb.
Green Sausage—12½c lb.
Sausage—7c.
Country Lard—10c lb.
Radishes—3 for 5c.
Lettuce—3 heads for 5c.
Rhubarb—6c per bunch.
Strawberries—5c quart.
Peas—10c quart.

THE WEATHER.
Another fair pleasant day with
a cloudless sky. The temperature
has been slowly rising for two
days. The forecast is generally
fair tonight and Tuesday, with
slowly rising temperature.

FUNERAL DRIVERS STRIKE.

Thirty Funerals in New York Had to
Be Postponed.

New York, May 21.—A strike of the funeral drivers' association, local 164, which involved the territory of Manhattan, below One Hundred and Fortieth street, went into effect today. The fact that 12 of the 35 coach owners acceded to the demands of the strikers lessened the inconvenience that might have otherwise resulted. As it was about 30 funerals had to be postponed, and those that were held were conducted under difficulties.

TO DEATH

STOESSEL IS CONDEMNED, SAYS
PRESS REPORT.

Hero of Port Arthur Found Guilty
By Court Inquiring Into
Surrender of the City.

St. Petersburg, May 21.—It is rumored that the military court, which has been investigating the surrender of Port Arthur, at the battle of the Sea of Japan, has condemned to death Lieut. Gen. Stoessel, who surrendered to the Japanese.

Detained by T. al.

Mr. Irvin S. Cobb of the New York World, who was expected tomorrow with his family to visit his mother, Mrs. Manie S. Cobb, has been detained in New York by the murder trial of the Sicilian girl which is exciting much attention there and which Mr. Cobb has been featuring for his paper. He will leave with Mrs. Cobb and little daughter Elizabeth as soon as the trial is concluded.

Two Houses Burning.

An alarm from box 24 called the fire department to Seventh and Jackson streets about 3:15 o'clock this afternoon, where two little frame houses, occupied by colored families, were on fire in the middle of the block on Jackson street between Sixth and Seventh streets.

Gus Coulter no Better.

Reports from Mayfield today are that Gus Coulter, formerly state auditor, is no better. He has not recovered consciousness and there is no hope of his recovery.

Tennessee Bankers.

The sixteenth annual convention of the Tennessee Bankers' association will be held at Lookout Mountain June 6 and 7.

One of the features of the German student statistics is that men are dropping medicine, while women are turning to it as a profession.

TODAY'S MARKETS

	Open	Close.
Wheat—		
May	84½	86½
July	83½	83½
Corn—		
May	48½	49½
July	47½	48½
Oats—		
July	33½	34
Sept	31½	32½
Pork—		
July	15.50	15.72
Cotton—		
May	11.45	11.34
July	11.20	11.08
Oct.	10.62	10.52
Dec.	10.64	10.53
Stocks—		
L. C.	1.72	1.75
L. & N.	1.44½	1.44½
U. P.	1.49	1.49
Rdg.	1.31½	1.32½
St. P.	1.67½	1.66½
Mo. P.93½	.93½
Penn.	1.32½	1.32
Cop.	1.09½	1.09½
Smel.	1.55½	1.55½
Lead76½	.76½
T. C. I.	1.46	1.45
C. F. I.49½	.50
U. S. P.	1.05½	1.05½
U. S.40½	.40½

Kokomo Ind., May 21.—A fire of mysterious origin destroyed the Kokomo office of the Standard Oil company. All the books and documents of this district were consumed. The burned structure was within thirty feet of storage tanks containing 150,000 gallons of oil, but an explosion was averted. Loss \$5,000; no insurance.

FEAR TROUBLE

During Election in Panama, and Sends
Ships.

Washington, May 21.—The war department fears that trouble may occur in Panama at the elections early in June. At the request of Secretary Taft the navy department is sending several hundred marines to Guantanamo, Cuba and other points near the isthmus for possible use in Panama.

Committee Meeting Called.

Washington, May 21.—Chairman Hopburn, of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce, called a meeting of the committee for tonight to consider the railroad rate bill passed senate last week.

FORMER CITIZENS ARE COMING BACK

Will Attend the Home Coming
Week in Louisville.

One Hundred and Fifty Former Res-
idents of McCracken County
Expected.

SOME WHO HAVE ACCEPTED

The plans for Home-Coming week in Louisville, June 13-17, are practically complete, and any one at all familiar with them will agree that they point to the largest gathering in the history of the South. The lowest estimate, based upon acceptance cards and letters on file at the headquarters of the Louisville Commercial club point to an attendance of over 55,000 ex-Kentuckians. Only a small portion of this number indicated on their acceptance card the county of their birth.

Below will be found a list of former residents of this county who have accepted the home-coming invitation. This list by no means represents the attendance of those who went from this county. Practically every one accepting the invitation has stated that he or she will be accompanied by from two to five others.

The Home-Coming association at Louisville is informed that McCracken county will, according to its estimates, be represented by 150 former citizens during the big June event.

As the railroads have made a rate of one fare for the round trip from Louisville to all points in Kentucky, tickets going on sale June 16 it is expected that all former citizens of our county who visit Louisville, will come to their old homes as soon as they have partaken fully of Louisville's hospitality.

The following is the list referred to: Mrs. Millie Ann Holden, Mountain View, Okla.; Edgar Wear, 619 Chaucer avenue, St. Louis, Mo.; Jacob Ownton, 456 South Eighth street, San Jose, Cal.; George Hendrick, 5190 Kensington, avenue, St. Louis, Mo.; John Johns, box 74, Libby, Mont.; J. Rothelme, 212 Union Station, St. Louis, Mo.; Z. T. Fletcher, Nicodemus, Kas.; H. Little, 102 West Woodward street, Denison, Tex.; Frank Harlan Smith, Camden, N. J.; W. H. Witly, Pocahontas, Ia.; M. J. Dilday, 1219 North Pennsylvania street, Indianapolis, Ind.; D. H. Jett, Seagraves, Tex.; Elizabeth R. Hook, Redlands, Cal.; Mrs. M. E. Paul, 2747 Shenandoah, street, St. Louis, Mo.

TO PRISON

SENATOR BURTON WILL HAVE
TO GO FOR SIX MONTHS.

Former United States Senator From
Kansas Loses On His Appeal
From Verdict.

Washington, May 21.—The appeal of Senator Burton, of Kansas, was decided against Burton today by the United States supreme court. Each constitutional point was decided against Senator Burton who was sentenced by the circuit court of the Eastern district of Missouri to serve six months, and pay a fine of \$1,000. He was charged with acting as counsel for the Rialto Grain company before the postoffice department, while a member of the United States senate.

STANDARD OIL BOOKS BURNED

Mysterious Fire Destroys Company's
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